

REMARKS

At the time of the most recent Office action, Claims 16-27 were pending. Claims 16-25 were subject to rejection and claims 26-27 were indicated to be allowable.

By amendments presented herewith Claim 16 has been canceled and claims 17-25 have been modified to depend, either directly or indirectly from claim 26.

Applicant herewith submits modifications to the claims in accordance with suggestions and directions provided by the Examiner which are believed to avoid each of the rejections raised.

Given that claims 26 and 27 have been determined by the Examiner to be allowable and all dependent claims now depend therefrom and thus include all limitations present therein, it would reasonably appear that all claims now pending should be regarded as allowable.

Applicant requests entry of the above amendments, requests reconsideration of the claims as amended and the allowance of all currently pending claims.

Conclusion

In conclusion, applicant has presented amendments which would appear to avoid all grounds of rejection set forth in the Final Office action of January 28, 2010.

Applicant, respectfully, requests that the Examiner reconsider these objections and rejections and find all claims allowable.

Should any official at the United States Patent and Trademark Office deem that any further action by the Applicant or Applicant's undersigned representative is desirable and/or necessary, the official is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number set forth below.

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